



DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives

[OMB 1140-0079]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed eCollection of eComments Requested; Extension with Change of a Currently Approved Collection; Transactions Among Licensee/Permittees and Transactions Among Licensees and Holders of User Permits

AGENCY: Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, Department of Justice.

ACTION: 60-day notice.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), Department of Justice (DOJ), will submit the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The proposed information collection (IC) is also being published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies.

DATES: Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for 60 days until **[INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have additional comments regarding the estimated public burden or associated response time, suggestions, or need a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions, or additional information, please contact: Anita Scheddel, Program Analyst, Firearms and Explosives Industry Division, Explosives Industry Programs Branch, Mailstop 6N-518, either by mail at 99 New York Ave, NE, Washington, DC 20226, or by email at eipbinformationcollection@atf.gov, or by telephone at (202) 648-7120.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information are encouraged. Your comments should address one or more of the following four points:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Evaluate whether and, if so, how the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected can be enhanced; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of responses.

Overview of this information collection:

- 1 *Type of Information Collection* (**check justification or form 83**): Extension with change of a currently approved collection.
- 2 *The Title of the Form/Collection*: Transactions Among Licensee/Permittees and Transactions Among Licensees and Holders of User Permits.
- 3 *The agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection*:

Form number (if applicable): None.

Component: Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, U.S. Department of Justice.

4 *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:*

Primary: Business or other for-profit.

Other (if applicable): Individuals or households OR Farms.

Abstract: The Transactions Among Licensee/Permittees and Transactions Among Licensees and Holders of User Permits requires that all explosives licensee/permittees and holders of user permits maintain records of all explosives transactions as outlined in 27 CFR 555.103, for compliance with the Safe Explosives Act.

5 *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:*

An estimated 46,500 respondents will prepare explosives transaction records for this collection once annually, and it will take each respondent approximately 30 minutes to complete their responses.

6 *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:*

The estimated annual public burden associated with this collection is 23,250 hours, which is equal to $46,500 \text{ (total respondents)} * 1 \text{ (# of response per respondent)} * .5 \text{ (30 minutes or the time taken to prepare each response)}$.

7 *An Explanation of the Change in Estimates:* Due to fewer respondents, the total responses and burden hours were reduced from 50,000 and 25,000 hours respectively in 2018, to 46,500 and 23,250 hours currently.

If additional information is required contact: Melody Braswell, Department Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Justice Management Division, Policy and Planning Staff, Two Constitution Square, 145 N Street NE, Mail Stop 3E.405A, Washington, DC 20530.

Dated: October 12, 2021.

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